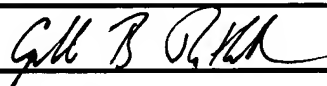
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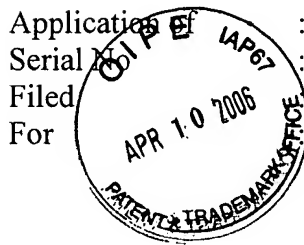
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following preliminary amendment. Applicants submit herewith the fees for one additional dependent claim. Although it is believed that no additional fees are required by this action, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 16-1435. A duplicate sheet is attached for that purpose.